

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims to read as indicated herein.

1. (Currently amended) An information carrying device comprising:
a carrier with at least one external surface for the readout of optically readable information; and
a transparent film for copy protection, with a property that rotates the polarization of the readout light ~~and/or a filtering property is introduced onto~~, on the at-least one external surface;
wherein the optically readable information contains holographically recorded information,
wherein the copy-protection film includes surface segments of different polarization-rotating ~~or filtering~~ properties,
wherein the surface segments, viewed together, show an information pattern that contains coded information, at least in part, ~~and~~
~~that~~wherein the optically readable information on the information carrier also contains coded information, at least in part, and
wherein the coded information of the copy-protection film comprises a decoding key for the coded information of the information carrier for visibly decoding the information on the information carrier, or vice versa.

2. (Previously presented) The information carrying device according to claim 1, wherein the (coded) information of the copy-protection film and/or the information carrier contains individualized information, at least in part, that represents a safety seal.

3. (Previously presented) The information carrying device according to claim 1, further comprising predetermined breaking points or an undetachable adhesive that adhere the copy protection film to the external surface of the information carrier.

4. (Previously presented) The information carrying device according to claim 1, wherein a fraction of the surface segments of the copy-protection film is formed as a plurality of transparent perforations that do not influence the polarization.

5. (Previously presented) The information carrying device according to claim 4, wherein the perforations are filled with one or more materials that have a fluorescing, phototropic, light-storing and/or photothermic property.

6. (Previously presented) The information carrying device according to claim 1, further comprising a luminous layer disposed near another external surface of the information carrier.

7. (Previously presented) The information carrying device according to claim 6, wherein the luminous layer is comprised of an electrofluorescing material or a material emitting light under microwave irradiation.

8. (Previously presented) The information carrying device according to claim 6, further comprising a point-light mask that is arranged between the other external surface of the information carrier and the luminous layer.

9. (Previously presented) The information carrying device according to claim 5, wherein one or more of the materials is/are doped with specific substances in specific quantity ratios.

10. (Previously presented) The information carrying device according to claim 1, wherein the information carrier is the external surface of an injection-molded part, which contains a surface structure with optically diffracting properties, at least in segments, as the information carrier.